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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant requests that the Patent Office consider the references which have come to Applicant's attention by an Office Action dated December 19, 2002.

Applicant states that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a Foreign Patent Office in a counterpart Foreign Application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

- JP 4-230720 discloses a fiberscope. The tip probe 1 is a flat-type scope part with great rigidity. A bendable part 2 is also provided.

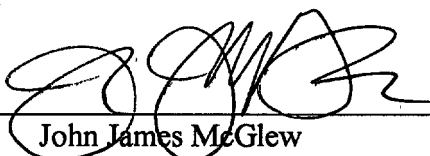
- JP 4-47255 discloses a construction with a light beam sent by an optical fiber 1 and made to enter a connecting part 7 of the electric component 6. This is provided by opposite mirrors including reflecting mirrors 3b and 3c whereby light is transmitted back through mirror

3b and through mirror 3c. The arrangement is different from the structure claimed and the reference fails to teach the combination of features as claimed.

Consideration of the references is requested.

Respectfully submitted
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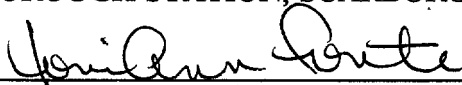
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